

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Replacement paragraph for the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 3 and ending on page 1, line 22:

The present application is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Number 10/071,554, filed February 8, 2002, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMMUNICATING BETWEEN PRINTER AND CARD SUPPLY," which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Application Number 09/489,591, filed January 21, 2000, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMMUNICATING BETWEEN PRINTER OR LAMINATOR AND SUPPLIES" and issued as Patent Number 6,386,772 on May 14, 2002, which in turn claims the benefit U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number 60/117,123, filed January 25, 1999; the present application also claims the benefit of Provisional Patent Application Serial Number 60/459,712, filed April 2, 2003; and the present application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial Number 60/497,009, filed August 19, 2003, entitled "IDENTIFICATION CARD PRINTER AND RIBBON CARTRIDGE" for inventors James M. Meier, Chadwick M. Johnson, Gary Countryman, Stacy W. Lukaskawcez and Ryan Parks.